Create a statewide community of partnerships Representative Initiatives for Goal 5*:



Children's Action Network (CAN) Michigan has over 200 schools that are not achieving their expected progress goal under the "No Child Left Behind Act". In order to help address this problem, the Family Independence Agency (FIA) is coordinating a multi-Agency, school based effort to assist the children and families associated with those schools, to overcome barriers and to improve their academic and non-academic careers.



Citizen Survey An electronic survey that will allow citizens to identify what technology they believe is necessary to create a connected Michigan. The feedback gathered from this survey will be used to prioritize and define the technology initiatives that will make a true difference to our citizens.



e-Citizenship Project (e-Democracy) Establishes an enhanced statewide access policy. In addition to helping develop web sites for county governments, DIT will automate required reporting to the state, identify and eliminate database redundancies across government agencies, and develop more universal e-transactions and processing.



Wayne County: Connecting the Partners DIT has coordinated the provision of recycled state personal computers to community organizations in Wayne County to help bridge the digital divide



Technology Partnerships Created to foster technology collaboration and partnerships with business, K-12, universities, and local units of government. By encouraging the usage of the state's technical infrastructure and improving the business operations and offset costs by offering leveraged buying power in procurement contracts.



211 Through a public/private partnership with the 211 initiative, Michigan will expand our current resource directory (aging services, disability services) to include all human service providers included in regional deployments of 211 call centers. Currently being developed with the Southwest Michigan 211 Center and United Way.



MIDEAL Creation of a web site within acquisition services allowing local governmental units to purchase goods and/or services using State of Michigan contracts. It will also include links to exchanges and other procurement tools to allow all levels of government, and therefore taxpayers, throughout Michigan to save funds.